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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7963**
Ola OLSVIK et al. : **Docket No. 2001-0269A**
Serial No. 09/787,316 : **Group Art Unit 1754**
Filed March 16, 2001 : **Examiner Wayne A. Langel**

PROCESS FOR PREPARING A
H₂-RICH GAS AND A CO₂-RICH
GAS AT HIGH PRESSURE

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Kindly cancel claims 2 and 3 presently in the application without prejudice.

Kindly amend claims 1, 4, 11, 12, 14 and 16-20 as follows:

1. (Amended) Method for production of a CO₂-rich gas stream and a H₂-rich gas stream, characterized in that the method comprises the following steps:

- a) natural gas and water are fed to a reforming reactor and converted to synthesis gas under supply of an O₂-rich gas to the reactor;

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